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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Sir:

Further to the Request for Continuing Prosecution Application filed October 13, 2000, please amend the application as follows prior to examination on the merits:

IN THE ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE:

Please add the abstract presented on the separate page -14- attached hereto.

Kindly add the following new Claims 83-96:

--83. A composite material comprising a gypsum board covered on at least one of its two faces with a sheet made of cardboard or paper, wherein the sheet, or each of the sheets, comprises a termiticidally effective amount of 5-amino-3-cyano-1-(2,6-dichloro-4-trifluoromethylphenyl)-4-trifluoromethylsulfinylpyrazole, wherein the gypsum board has a

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